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SUBJECT: UN MEETING OF GOVERNMENT OFFICERS FOR DEVELOPMENT  
INFORMATION IN INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES AND DIRECTORS OF  
INFORMATION OF ORGANIZATIONS OF UN SYSTEM, PARIS,  
APRIL 16-18, 1975

1. REQUEST EMBASSY IDENTIFY SOONEST OFFICER FROM PUBLIC  
AFFAIRS SECTION WHOM DEPARTMENT WOULD ACCREDIT TO SUBJECT  
MEETING PRIMARILY TO INDICATE US INTEREST AND REPORT ANY  
SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS.

2. US HAS NOT PARTICIPATED PREVIOUSLY SO GUIDANCE  
UNAVAILABLE EXCEPT FOLLOWING ABBREVIATED TEXT OF UN  
NOTE (A) AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA (B):

A. BEGIN QUOTE ...NEW SERIES OF MEETINGS WHICH THE  
CENTRE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL INFORMATION BEGAN IN 1974  
BETWEEN GOVERNMENT OFFICERS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPMENT  
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DIRECTORS OF INFORMATION OF THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE

UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM. THE FIRST OF THIS SERIES WAS HELD IN APRIL 1974 IN BONN ... THE MEETING THIS YEAR WILL BE HELD IN PARIS ON 16, 17 AND 18 APRIL 1975 AT THE CENTRE DE CONFERENCES INTERNATIONALES, 19 AVENUE KLEBER.

THE LATEST DEBATES ON INFORMATION DURING THE ECOSOC, AT ITS SUMMER SESSION IN 1974, AND THE LAST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, HAVE ONCE MORE UNDERLINED THE NECESSITY FOR THE INFORMATION SERVICES OF THE UN SYSTEM TO ESTABLISH BETTER AND MORE PERMANENT CONSULTATIONS AND TO STRENGTHEN COORDINATION WITH THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION SERVICES OF MEMBER STATES. WE, THEREFORE, ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THIS SERIES OF MEETINGS WHICH, AS EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN LEAD TO CLOSER COOPERATION AND MORE CONCERTED IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR COMMON PROJECTS. END QUOTE.

B. BEGIN QUOTE ... PUBLIC OPINION AND DEVELOPMENT

1) WHAT ARE THE MILIEUX WHICH HAVE THE MOST INFLUENCE IN FORMING PUBLIC OPINION REGARDING DEVELOPMENT?

2) AMONG THE MILIEUX WHICH ARE INDIFFERENT OR EVEN OPPOSED TO A COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT EFFORT, WHAT GROUPS DO EXIST WITH WHOM USEFUL CONTACTS COULD BE MADE?

3) HOW CAN SUCH CONTACTS MOST EFFECTIVELY BE ESTABLISHED OR STRENGTHENED?

4) THROUGH WHAT MACHINERY, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL, GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL, COULD THIS BE DONE? END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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